

LESSON PLAN: "MIDDLE SCHOOL CONSUMER ACTION SCAVENGER HUNT"



GRADES: 7–8
TIME: 2–4 class periods
SUBJECT: Consumer Economic

DESCRIPTION:

This is a short-term project that will help students find useful consumer information. Students will use the worksheet provided to search for answers on the Federal Citizen Information Center's (FCIC) Consumer Action Website or in the **Consumer Action Handbook (CAH)**. This fun and dynamic lesson will provide young consumers with information and tools that will be useful the rest of their lives.

OBJECTIVES:

Short Term—

- To develop an awareness of FCIC's website and its usefulness
- To utilize the **CAH** to solve consumer problems

Long Term—

- To build students' confidence as proactive and informed consumers

MATERIALS:

Access to the Internet to search the online version of the **Consumer Action Handbook (CAH)** at www.consumeraction.gov, or a print copy of the **CAH**.

Answers to these questions can be found online or by using a print copy of the **CAH**. Call 1-888-8 PUEBLO (1-888-878-3256) 8 am to 8 pm Eastern Time, Monday to Friday, to obtain copies of the **CAH** for your class.

PROCEDURES:

Provide students with a copy of the "Consumer Action Scavenger Hunt" worksheet and ask them to answer the ten questions and complete the writing task at the end of the assignment. Instruct them to go to the FCIC website at www.pueblo.gsa.gov and click on the "Consumer Help" link. Students can also access the Consumer Action Website at www.consumeraction.gov. Access information is provided at the top of the student worksheet.

EVALUATION:

Grade each worksheet for individual accuracy. Each answer is worth 6 points (78 out of 100 possible points). The summary is worth 22 points (22 out of 100 possible points).

ANSWERS:

For answers, please e-mail catalog.pueblo@gsa.gov and write "middle school scavenger hunt" in the subject line.